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PEACE

GRASSES AND SAND

I saw blown grasses and white sand today!
On either hand blown grasses, rain-freshen'd,
And underneath, the samite peace of sand.

God seemed no further than my hand might reach;
And I, who long had trod my city ways,
Came face to face with the passion of grass and sand:

The passion of all of the laboring years at last,
The stable earth with its miracled leaf and bloom,
And its syllabled speech to me, "Hold fast! hope hard!"

THE ADVENTURER

Let us know he hath gone adventuring,
And the farthest reach of the day explored.
Let the heart bowed down find peace in this:
The imperial night and her stars bring word
He hath seen and heard.

Alfred Battle Bealle